



## **PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES**

Commission Chamber  
Tuesday, June 11, 2024  
1:10 PM

### **PUBLIC SAFETY**

#### **PRESENT**

Mayor Garnett Johnson  
Commissioner Catherine Smith-McKnight  
Commissioner Bobby Williams  
Commissioner Brandon Garrett

#### **ABSENT**

Commissioner Alvin Mason

1. Update from the Administrator/staff regarding the proposal from Best Friends Animal Society.  
(Referred from May 22 Commission meeting)

Motion to approve the recommendation from Best Friends Animal Society and their offer of helping our animal shelter as was previously presented.

Motion made by Garrett, Seconded by Smith-McKnight.

Voting Yea: Smith-McKnight, Garrett

Voting Nay: Williams

Motion fails 2-1.

2. Motion to approve the Augusta-Richmond County (FY25) Capacity Agreement for State Inmates to be housed at the Richmond County Correctional Institution.

Motion to approve.

Motion made by Garrett, Seconded by Williams.

Voting Yea: Smith-McKnight, Williams, Garrett

Motion carries 3-0.

3. Motion to approve amendment of the subsidy agreement (per diem rate) to house state inmates with the Georgia Department of Corrections.

Motion to approve.

Motion made by Garrett, Seconded by Williams.

Voting Yea: Smith-McKnight, Williams, Garrett

Motion carries 3-0.

4. Motion to approve acceptance of the CACJ FY25 Family Treatment and Juvenile Drug Court Operating Grant in the amount of \$135,537 with a \$23,918 match amount.

Motion to approve.

Motion made by Garrett, Seconded by Williams.

Voting Yea: Smith-McKnight, Williams, Garrett

Motion carries 3-0.

5. Motion to accept the FY2024 Emergency Management Performance Grant (EMPG) in the amount of \$50,000 and authorize the mayor to sign all appropriate documentation.

Motion to approve.

Motion made by Garrett, Seconded by Williams.

Voting Yea: Smith-McKnight, Williams, Garrett

Motion carries 3-0.

6. Motion to approve the minutes of the Public Safety Committee held on May 28, 2024.

Motion to approve.

Motion made by Garrett, Seconded by Williams.

Voting Yea: Smith-McKnight, Williams, Garrett

Motion carries 3-0.